Honorable members of the Public Safety and Security Committee:

I Ralph J Destefano oppose bill SB-1076,1071,505,506,897 and HB-6162,6251,6595,6598, this gun legislation that you are trying to impose as a 30yr taxpaying citizen of this state I find it appalling that state legislators are giving up all of our liberties for a little safety which is an illusion because criminals do not follow laws. I hardly see any action towards the actual problem mental health which first and foremost should have been addressed first, but you attacked our 2nd amendment rights first and i do not think our gun laws are the issue at all, you should be trying to enforce all the laws that we already have because making more is not going to solve anything.

I would also like to remind everyone that you took an oath to protect and uphold the Constitution and as far as i can see that is not the case and would also like to remind you that I do vote and will hold all accountable for any actions taken to violate my 2nd amendment rights.

That aside hopefully we can all come together and get some legislation that will be meaningful and not violate everyone's rights and that knee jerk reactions and emotional legislation will not solve any of the problems that we all seek to fix.

Sincerely,

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